NEW IDEA OFFERED IN AERIAL PATROL

Used Both in Peace and in War Time.

PLAN PART OF SCHEME FOR U. S. PREPAREDNESS

Seaplanes Could Be Used to Sight Enemy and Communicate With Shore

The aerial coast patrol, proposed by the Aero Club of America-a plan intrusted to Rear Admiral R. E. Peary. as its originator, to develop and carry to accomplishment-proposes a new de parture in preparedness for war never attempted by any nation, and utilization in time of peace of the schem humanitarian purposes of saving the lives of those who go down to the sea in ships. The co-operation of the army and navy and of the coast and geodetic survey has been invited. Other government activities, especially the coast guard-which is expected to benefit most by the peace utilization of the aerial patrol-are also included in the scope of desired government co-

operation.

Rear Admiral Peary has named a number of members of a committee to formulate working plans to carry out the scheme. Among them is Assistant Secretary Byron R. Newton of the Treasury Department, in charge of the coast guard. Mr. Newton is also a theoretical aeronaut: as a newspaper man he made a specialty of aeronautical news and was often in a fiyer. He is also a member of the aeronautical learn of the government, named to ad-

salso a member of the aeronautical board of the government, named to advise the army and navy.

While the "preparedness" part of the program is insisted upon by those who conceived it. the humanity aspects of it are regarded as of even more vital importance. For there are those that predict that the navy some day—when there cease to be wars and rumors of war—will be only an adjunct of the coast guard, developed to its highest capacity as an economizer of life and property, and that the navy, in peace times, will have peace work cut out for it that is not entirely making ready for war, but will have a commercial and utilitarian purpose.

To Divide Coast Into Sections.

The idea, as set forth by the Aero Club of America, is to divide the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, the shores of the great lakes and the coast of the Gulf of Mexico into sections "of convenient length, say about 100 miles each." In each of these

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"military preparedness."

off shore and patrol their respective beats, the shore line of the prescribed In clear weather, at a height of 2,000 feet above sea level, the observer would have a vision of fifty miles to Senate Adopts Resolution for Trans-

ships would be transmitted to shore station, and thence to Washington or a government center, whence, if the ships were hostile, orders would be issued directing the movements of defending warships and the submarine squadrons, for the preparation of coast defenses and for the concentration of troops. If necessary, Reserve seaplanes, hurrying out, would keep the approaching craft under continuous observation, while themselves invisible,

and in communication with shore.

"Such a system is a new departure," declares Rear Admiral Peary. "The like of it exists nowhere at present. Yet it involves no new principle, but is simply the utilization and multiplication of the known capacities of a single seaplane."

How Cost . Is to Be Borne.

The present idea is that the coast ommunities will provide funds for the Scouts Along the Coast to Be equipment of these stations. Upkeep Colombian Minister Is Impelland maintenance will devolve upon the naval militia of the costal states, according to the program of the Aero cording to the program of the Aero Club of America. Later, however, the thought is that a national defense board may decide that the stations should properly be an adjunct of the coast artillery. There seems no present thought to give the matter into the keeping of the coast guard, with officers of the service trained to drive machines and observe; however, the necessity of having as driver a navigating officer is manifect to analysts of the program.

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The plan has been indorsed by the President, by former Secretary of War Garrison and Secretary of the Navy Daniels and by aeronautic authorities. Portland, Me., has raised \$10,000 to. Portland, Me., has raised \$10,000 to-ward establishing a unit of this patrol, New York militia aeronauts have prom-sed to co-operate by establishing units. "Women of 1915" of New York city are raising \$10,000. The militia twiators of New Jersey have promised

NEW LEPROSY REMEDY GIVES HOPE OF A CURE

Rockefeller Foundation Invites World Physicians to Report Results of Treatment.

commission, before he left for his post last week, was published here today. In it Dr. Heiser says that leprosy is now being treated by the use of chaulmoogra oil mixture in institutions in the United States, and in some places in the far east, and that favorable reports of its efficacy have been received. "The present stage of the treatment does not warrant a claim that anything like a specific for leprosy has been found," wrote Dr. Heiser, "but experience does show that chaulmoogra oil gives more consistently favorable results than any other known treatment, and holds out hope."

AUTOGRAPH LETTERS OF AUTHOR ARE SOLD

Admirers of Robert Louis Stevenson

about 100 miles each." In each of these sections would be established a coast defense station, where would be erected a hangar for housing a seaplane and equipment to make all minor repairs. Several larger stations would be established at suitable intervals, where all more complicated repairs could be made or a complete overhauling given at regular periods. Elaborating the plan, as set forth by the Aero Club of America, each hangar would be the home of a seaplane. A driver and an observer would be attached to it. The seaplane would be equipped with light wireless apparatus, powerful binocular glasses and a sensitive microphone. "The partly submerged derelict," says the Aero Club of America, "too light to sink and a constant menace to traffic, would be spotted by the aerial scout and its presence reported. Wrecks, vessels in distress and all other marine accidents would be reported and aid quickly summoned when necessary."

But if ever war should arise, in the opinion of Rear Admiral Peary, the first value of this coast patrol service would be the prompt report, "ready and equipped for service," from a hundred or more trained flyers and observers, from mechanicians and helpers organized into a state of "military preparedness."

Admirers of Robert Louis Stevenson Collection Brings.

NEW YORK, February 17.—Admirers of Robert Louis Stevenson noted today with interest the prices paid for autograph letters of Stevenson in the sale here of the collection of letters owned by Mrs. Salisbury Field of Santa Barbara, Cal. Mrs. Field inherited the collection on the death of her mother, who was the author's wife.

The top price of yesterday's sale was paid only \$100 for his "Virginibus paid only \$100 for his "Virgin

A letter to Stevenson's father, in which the author said that he was. Duty in Time of War.

As war duty, each of the seaplanes, according to the outline of the plan, would take position about fifty miles of shore and natural seasons.

But the author said that he was going to write "Treasure Island," brought \$225. The sum of \$187.50 was paid for a letter to Stevenson's parents, in which the author wrote that he had been offered "a hundred pounds—a hundred lingling, tingling, golden minted.

GOES TO HOUSE FOR ACTION.

An Interesting Bit of History

Everybody Should Know

One of the interesting places in Lowell, Mass.,

is the old apothecary shop on Merrimack street, established in 1827. This location is still a drug store, although of course modernized in many departments. The old prescription books, however,

have been preserved and form an interesting record

covering nearly a century. Perhaps one of the most interesting books is that of the year 1855. On one of

the pages of this book, that

dated June 9th, 1855, is written the original prescription for Father John's

the horizon. At night or in fog the seaplanes would be compelled to sweep lower or find a landing. At all times they would be expected to be invisible to a distant enemy.

By means of the wireless, information as to character, number and apparent destination of approaching ships would be transmitted to shore station and thence to Weshimston.

TO OWN COUNTRY

ed by Failing Health to Leave Washington.

WILL STAY UNTIL SENATE **ACTS ON PENDING TREATY**

Presents Argument for Its Ratification in Form Drafted by International Negotiations.

Senor Don Julio Betancourt, minister of Colombia in the United States, announces that he is anxious to return to Colombia on account of his impaired health, and that he remains in Washngton in his present physical condition only to await the action of the United States Senate on the pending United States-Colombian treaty, that he may lay the particulars of the final disposition of the pact before his own gov-

That Senor Betancourt has been a his mission in Washington is thorough-

Discusses Proposed Treaty.

To his announcement of his anxiety to return to Colombia for the benefit of his health the Colombian minister adds a statement of his views on the ssues involved in the pending treaty. presenting an argument for its acceptance in the form in which it was drafted by the international nemti-

His statement reads: His statement reads:
"I see with great concern the conversion into a party question, an international issue which ought to be regarded as one of continental importance, considering the state of affairs in the world today. There are powerful reasons which should urge the solid union of all the nations of this continent as the most effective way to

sure the future and presperity of CELEBRATE THE BIRTH merica.
"The settlement of the pending ques-ons with Colombia was first taken up y Mr. Root, as Secretary of State in r. Roosevelt's administration. Later, ir. Rooseveit's administration. Later, resident Taft twice sent Minister Du lois to Colombia to propage to the overnment at Bogota a settlement, erms of which were, in my opinion, nore advantageous to Colombia than hose of the present treaty.

Mr. Wilson Sends Envoy.

"Finally, President Wilson sent Mr hompson as minister, who made the been submitted to the Senate of the United States for consideration. I am, consequently, in a position to affirm hat all the political parties of this country have tried to come to a settle-men of the causes of dispute with

men of the causes of dispute with Colombia.

"Could this question be settled by a popular vote in the United States I feel quite sure it would be decided in favor of Colombia. There are proofs in this legation of the strong leaning of the most important commercial and industrial concerns of this great country in favor of the treaty. I have received a great many letters to this effect, and a few days ago one came from a very prominent man, in which he says: 'You should have no doubts regarding the final issue of your efforts. The American people has a profound sense of justice. Colombia will surely be given due reparation.'

Disputes Newspaper Statements. "Therefore the assertions made in certain newspapers that the treaty

with Colombia lacks support in the United States are untrue. On the contrary, it meets with a great deal of it, and it is certainly to be deplored that any paper should characterize as 'ridiculous' an international treaty which keen sufferer from rheumatism during re-establishes formal relations and

NEW YORK, February 17.—The Rockefeller Foundation has invited physicians throughout the world to report to it results of the administering of chaulmoogra oil mixture for leprosy. This oil is made from the seeds of a plant found in the far east, and is administered hypodermically. It is sometimes combined with camphorated olive oil.

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District Suffrage Workers Observe Ninety-Sixth Anniversary With Dinner.

ciation. Others who responded were Mrs. Frank Hiram Snell, Mrs. George Alex. Mooshart, chairman of the Wash ington Woman Suffrage Council; Mrs Raymond B. Morgan, Mrs. Harriett Hiften King, president of the Stanton Club. and Miss Florence F. Stiles, pres ident of the College Equal Suffrage

League. Mrs. Antoinette Funk, the speaker o the evening, gave a resume of the work done by the national congressional committee of the national association. ANNAPOLIS, Md., February 17.—T. W. Harrison, jr., of Virginia, one of the national association, acted as toastmistress, and among those senting six of the suffrage organizations of the District of Columbia.

Miss Carrle E. Kent responded to the toast of "Susan B. Anthony." Miss busic Carrle E. Kent responded to the toast of "Susan B. Anthony." Miss Carrle E. Kent responded to the toast of "Susan B. Anthony." Miss Elizabeth Donnan, Mrs. E. C. Bebb, Mrs. Stuart of New Brunswick, Miss May Wolf, Miss Susic Campbell, Mrs. R. O. Jones, Miss Emily Spilman, Miss Elizabeth Donnan, Mrs. Cappell, Mrs. R. O. Jones, Miss Emily Spilman, Miss Elizabeth Destant of "Dr. Anna Howard Shaw," and the party unanimously voted to send a message of love and good wishes to Dr. Shaw, honorary president of the National American Woman Suffrage Assortional american Woman Suffrage Assortion by the national congressional committee of the national cong the evening, gave a resume of the work

MIDSHIPMAN, IN ANGER, FELLS AN INSTRUCTOR

T. W. Harrison, Jr., One of Those

Forced to Resign, Comes to Blows With Teacher.

note. Instructor Lacalle teaches in the department of modern languages, from which examination papers were alleged to have been stolen and circulated among the midshipmen just prior to the final examinations last year.





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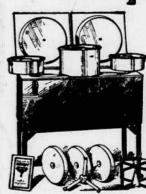


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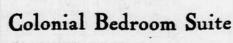
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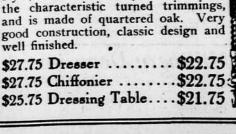




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